


REASONS humbly offered to  
**The Parliament,**  
 FOR  
**The Abatement of the Proportion of the Assessment**  
 UPON  
**The CITY of L O N D O N.**

I.  HE great Loss of Goods, Wares and Merchandizes by the late dreadful Fire.

II. The Loss of about 13000 Houses, besides Free-Schools, Halls, &c.

III. The empty Houses and unbuilt Tofts, being about 3000, which is near the sixth part of the whole City and Liberties.

IV. The vast Expence of great Sums of Money out of the quick Stock laid out in Rebuilding, formerly employed in Trade; besides the Loss to several Gentlemen that were Proprietors of Buildings within the City of *London*, and yet remain liable to the former Proportion of the Tax before these Calamities befel the City.

V. The withdrawing (after the Fire) of several Inhabitants, to the Increase of Trade where they are gone and the Loss of it within the City.

VI. The great Inequality and Disproportion of Taxes both in Houses and Personal Estates between the City of *London*, and the Out-Parishes of *Middlesex*, within the Bills of Mortality.

VII. The vast Increase of New Buildings and Trading Families within the Limits aforesaid since the last Tax.

